

Attachment 2 -- Resolution Passed by Cong. Wyckoff re  
Validity of S. J. Res. 187

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Dear Congressman:

Congressman Ford has brought to my attention your letter to him dated December 10, 1963, regarding S. J. Res. 137, which grants this Commission certain powers to assist it in the investigation.

In view of the importance of the questions raised in your letter, I took the liberty of referring it to the Department of Justice for comment. I am enclosing for your information a memorandum on this subject prepared in the Office of Legal Counsel of the Department of Justice. In brief, the Department concludes that S. J. Res. 137 is not defective because of its failure to specify a legislative purpose.

The Commission discussed this matter at its meeting on January 21, 1964, and asked me to thank you for bringing this matter to the attention of the individual Commissioners.

Sincerely,

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General Counsel

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